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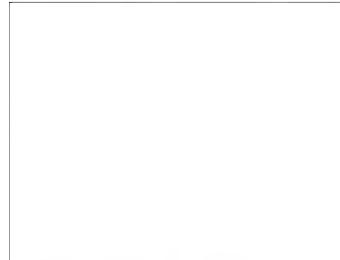
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1. Discovery of copper ore near Kaban, north of Alma Ata, in Kazakh, has now led to the further discovery that, along the Ili River, there is a good deal of gold ore mingled with the copper. Geological exploration has now been carried out for a distance of ninety miles along the Ili.
2. Several crews are working steadily "with a view to getting the best results possible". It is not clear from information that has been smuggled out, whether this alludes to actual working of the deposits, or merely to further geological exploration.

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